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Re: Patent Application for "A Declarative Method for Business Management"  
David O. McGoveran, Inventor

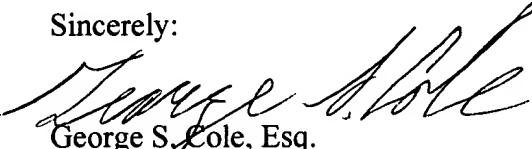
Dear Examiner Boyce:

I hereby authorize use of my deposit account, 500705, with User ID FINA, to cover all necessary fees and costs for this application.

After considerable deliberation, I believe that a Request for Continued Examination is proper; as the enclosed response shows, there are many issues which I felt your response had not made sufficiently certain, definite, or adequately substantiated, making an appeal less desirable.

I do not know your schedule but must presume you are quite busy. I would wish to discuss, via telephone, any issues you may have or which this response may not resolve that you believe would prevent this application from issuing, before your written, formal response. My hope is we can make better progress or at least communicate more clearly that way.

Sincerely:

  
George S. Cole, Esq.

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- Marked-up Amendment of Application;
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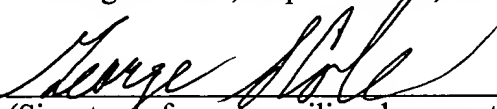
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Serial No. 09/476,711 |  
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SIR: Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination for the above application.

☒ Small entity status for this application under 37 CFR §1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

☒ Extension of time as necessary is requested and a check for the required fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is herewith authorized to charge payment of any necessary fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0705 associated with this communication for any related purpose, including: ( A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ENCLOSED)

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Respectfully Submitted:

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